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Field Crops

Cotton harvesting was complete on 80 percent of the acreage, same as last year, but 3 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. Alfalfa conditions were mostly fair to excellent, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on three-fourths of the alfalfa acreage across the State. This week there were 6.9 days suitable for field work.

Moisture Conditions

	Subsoil Moisture	Topsoil Moisture
	- Percent -	
Very Short	8	1
Short	33	35
Adequate	59	64
Surplus	0	0

Range and Pasture

Significant amounts of rain were received throughout the State last week, enough to maintain soil moisture for the time being. Rangeland conditions vary widely from very poor to good, depending on location.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, Bok Choy, Chinese cabbage, red and green cabbage, cantaloupes, cilantro, collard greens, kale, lemons, mustard, parsley, turnips, and spinach last week.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, Bok Choy, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, red and green cabbage, cilantro, endive, escarole, kale, various lettuce including Boston, iceberg, romaine, green and red leaf lettuce, parsley, and spinach last week.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	5	7	23	40	25
Range and Pasture	13	17	36	32	2

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton, Harvested	80	75	80	77

NA – Not Available

Temperature and Precipitation Data								
December 1, 2014 - December 7, 2014								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	57	9	74	36	0.50	7.01	-0.75	90
Ajo	63	7	79	49	0.70	8.93	1.91	127
Anvil Ranch	57	6	79	34	0.30	10.24	-1.42	88
Betatakin	40	8	53	28	0.51	5.24	-6.75	44
Bisbee	51	7	74	33	0.23	19.33	0.37	102
Buckeye	61	8	75	43	0.58	10.62	3.43	148
Bullhead City	60	5	77	41	0.09	4.72	-0.67	88
Canyon De Chelly	41	7	58	24	1.04	6.91	-2.11	77
Coolidge	58	7	75	37	0.66	5.27	-3.46	60
Douglas	50	4	74	22	0.26	14.60	1.69	113
Flagstaff	40	9	55	20	1.79	18.76	-2.74	87
Fort Grant	53	9	73	31	0.57	15.67	3.50	129
Grand Canyon	41	8	57	15	0.41	8.13	-7.54	52
Heber	47	13	59	27	1.02	14.27	-3.71	79
Kingman	53	9	68	37	0.45	9.16	-0.16	98
Maricopa	58	7	73	37	0.79	7.82	0.61	108
Nogales	55	8	76	36	0.43	17.59	0.38	102
Page	48	11	62	39	0.35	3.82	-2.51	60
Paloma	60	4	74	43	0.74	3.58	-2.76	56
Paradise	46	2	64	27	0.22	26.52	7.17	137
Parker	61	8	80	39	0.10	2.86	-0.41	87
Payson	47	7	64	25	1.32	14.07	-6.60	68
Phoenix	64	9	80	51	0.65	8.10	0.53	107
Pipe Springs	45	8	62	30	0.20	7.82	-2.93	73
Prescott	47	8	61	29	1.57	11.72	-1.72	87
Robson Ranch	59	7	76	40	0.74	8.70	-0.94	90
Roll	61	9	76	41	0.15	2.28	-1.66	58
Roosevelt	56	6	71	41	1.39	14.21	-0.87	94
Safford	52	7	72	30	0.66	11.13	2.06	123
St. Johns	45	10	66	21	1.16	8.46	-2.45	78
San Carlos	54	7	70	37	0.97	11.27	-2.88	80
Seligman	46	7	64	22	1.48	9.96	-2.24	82
Springerville	43	10	62	17	0.67	11.28	-0.30	97
Teec_Nos_Pos	41	7	53	23	0.36	7.07	-0.36	95
Tucson	61	8	79	43	0.69	8.69	-2.66	77
Willcox	51	6	73	26	0.40	13.17	0.87	107
Window Rock	42	11	57	19	0.92	6.34	-4.39	59
Winslow	44	8	66	24	0.80	6.75	-0.87	89
Yuma	69	11	96	56	0.24	3.03	0.06	102
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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